

Name _____ Title _____

Sample Revision Checklist

Symbol	Revision Strategies	 What can I do to revise?	
	Sketch	Reread and add more details to my sketch.	
?	Meaning	Reread to see if it makes sense.	
	Heart of the story	Reread and add details to the most important part.	
	Lead	Reread and try a different beginning or make your lead even better.	



Setting

Reread and add details to describe the setting.



Physical
description

Reread and add what a person, place, or a thing looks like.



Show,
not tell

Reread and find telling parts and make them showing parts.



Ending

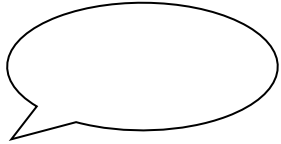
Reread and try different endings or make your ending even better.

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Mentor
text

Reread a mentor text,
pick something the
author did and try it.



Dialogue

Reread and add details to
make a character talk.



Similes

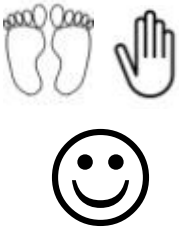
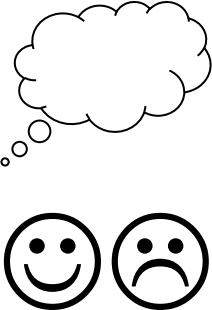
Reread and add
comparisons between two
things (using *like* or *as*).



Adjectives
and
Adverbs

Reread and add
adjectives to nouns and
adverbs to verbs.

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	Character action	Reread and add character action – feet, hands, face.	
	Temporal words	Reread and add time order words.	
	Verbs	Reread and add precise action words or verbs.	
	Internal thinking/ Internal feeling	Reread and add thinking or feelings.	

REVISION

Put on your revision lens.

Reread looking for...



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to my sketch.

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END

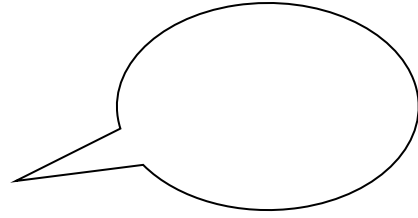
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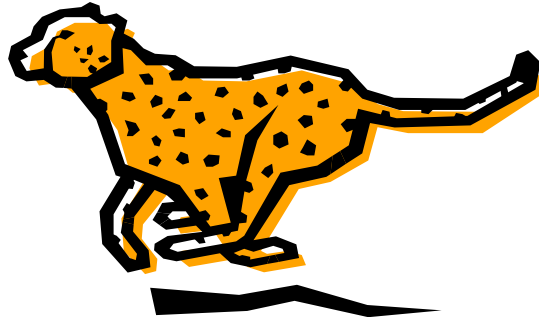
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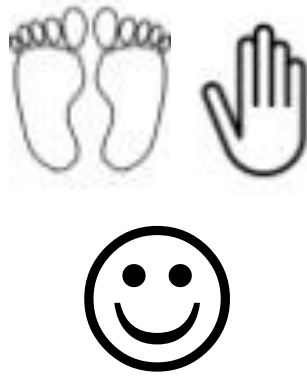
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Adjectives and Adverbs

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Character Action

Reread and add character
action—feet, hands, face.



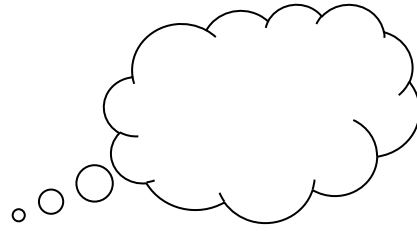
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Internal thinking/Internal
feeling

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feelings.